



# Fire Season 2004



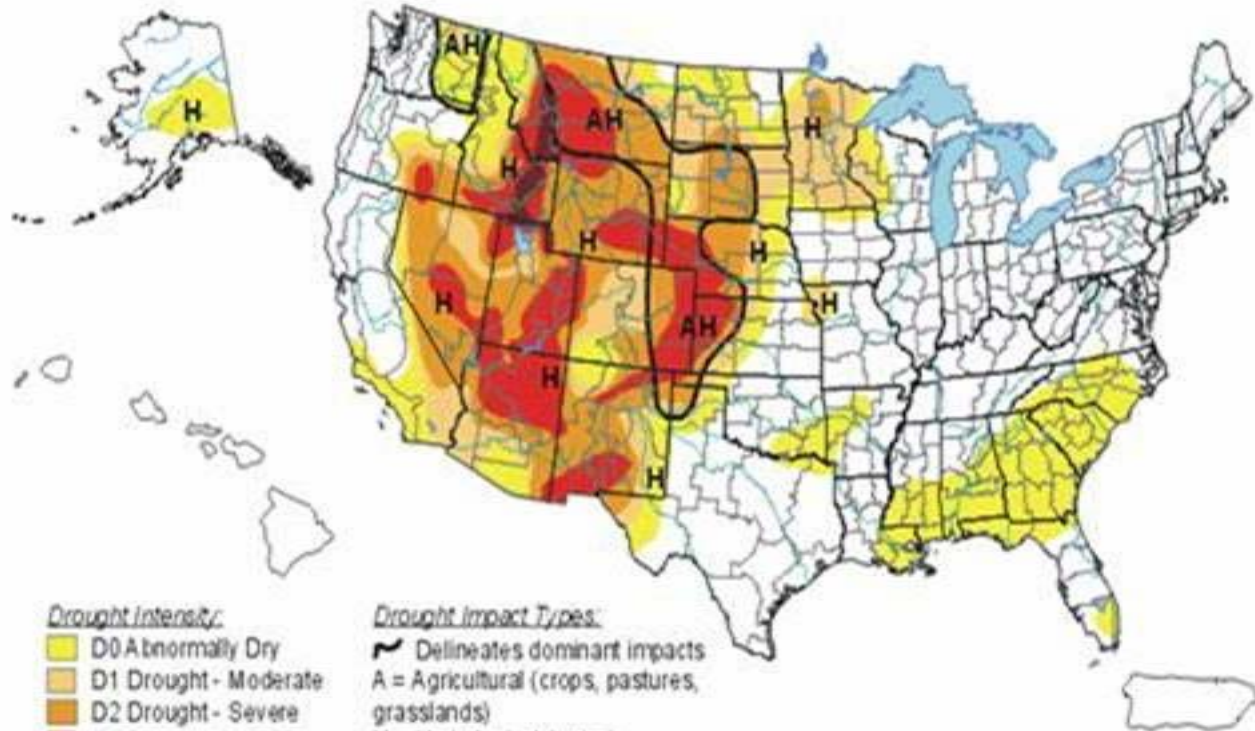


# Current Drought Conditions

## U.S. Drought Monitor

April 6, 2004

Valid 8 a.m. EDT



### Drought Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Drought - Moderate
- D2 Drought - Severe
- D3 Drought - Extreme
- D4 Drought - Exceptional

### Drought Impact Types:

- ~ Delineates dominant impacts
- A = Agricultural (crops, pastures, grasslands)
- H = Hydrological (water)
- (No type = Both impacts)

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions.  
Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary  
for forecast statements.

<http://drought.unl.edu/dm>



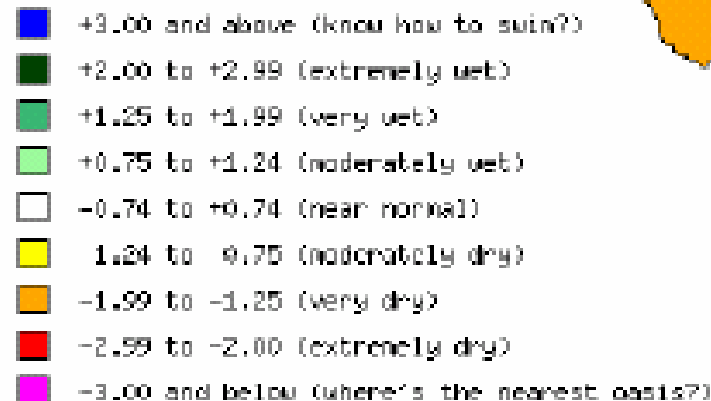
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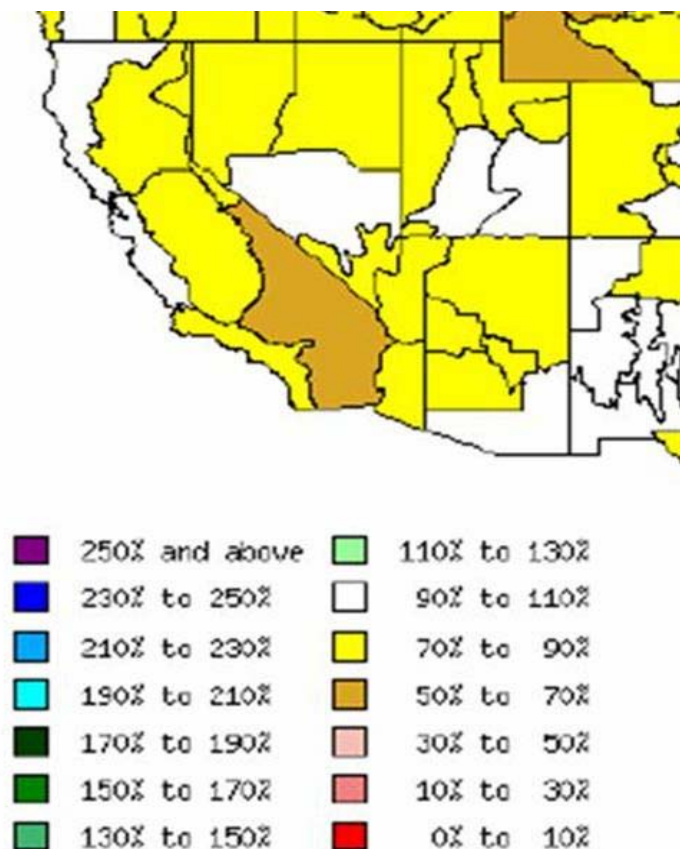


# Current Rain Fall and Fuel Moistures

**Rain Fall**



**1,000 Hour Dead Fuel Moistures**







# 2004 Fire Season Outlook

This chart is based on the assumption that the State will receive normal rainfall in the months of April and May.

Outlook may become more severe if less than normal rainfall occurs.





# Burning Conditions



**March 25, 2004**  
**Big Bear, San Bernardino National Forest**  
**6500 feet elevation, 350 acres**



# Burning Conditions



**April 10, 2004**  
**West of King City, Monterey County**  
**Prescribed fire 66 acres**